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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:)		
	Franz-Josef RUBRÖDER et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1646	
Application No.: 09/991,964)	Examiner: Olga N. Chernyshev, Ph.D.	
Filed:	November 26, 2001)		
For:	PROCESS FOR THE STABILIZATION OF PROTEINS IN COMPLEX MIXTURES DURING THEIR STORAGE IN AQUEOUS SOLVENTS		ATTN: BOX AF 11/13/2003 SDIRETA1 0000001	4 09991964 110.00 OP
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to November 12, 2003, to reply to the Office Action of July 11, 2003. (November 11, 2003, is the Veterans' Day holiday.) A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any required fees not found herewith to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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